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Cc: Ron Falco - CDPHE[ron.falco@state.co.us]; Mohr, Mindy[Mohr.Mindy@epa.gov]
From: Bahrman, Sarah
Sent: Thur 8/6/2015 5:33:41 PM
Subject: RE: FW: mine blowout near silverton

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Hi Jennifer –

I just left you a voice mail about this as well. First – I wanted to make sure you saw my earlier email offering support to any downstream users that may need it (for sampling, etc). We have several field teams in the area that could help.

Also, we have a 1pm status meeting with senior management here and are being asked to report out on the status of downstream water plants. If you could please share any info you have with me and Mindy Mohr who is working with me on this (copied here), we'd greatly appreciate it!

Thanks,

Sarah

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From: Robinett - CDPHE, Jennifer [mailto:jennifer.robinett@state.co.us]
Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 3:39 PM
To: Bahrman, Sarah
Cc: Ron Falco - CDPHE
Subject: Re: FW: mine blowout near silverton

Hi, Sarah-

Yes, we have been working on this. The downstream users have been notified. OEPR (within CDPHE) earlier notified our Grand Junction office who began notifying downstream users and local agencies as well. We are continuing to communicate with the downstream users and the local agencies.

Please let me know if you need any additional information.

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Total Coliform Positive or Nitrate above 10 mg/L: 303.692.3308

24-hr Drinking Water Emergency/Environmental Release/Incident Report Line: 1.877.518.5608

On Wed, Aug 5, 2015 at 3:23 PM, Bahrman, Sarah <Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Jennifer –

I got notice (below) from our communications office about this and wanted to make sure you had been notified. I tried to call you on your office and cell number as well. I'll keep trying you or others I know (since I think Ron is out) to get confirmation that you're aware.

Thanks,

Sarah

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From: Mylott, Richard

Sent: Wednesday, August 05, 2015 2:01 PM

To: Ostrander, David; Hestmark, Martin; Stavnes, Sandra; Smith, Paula; Peterson, Cynthia; O'Connor, Darcy; Videtich, Callie; Bahrman, Sarah; Kahn, Lisa; Murray, Bill; Christensen, Stanley; Williams, Laura

Cc: McGrath, Shaun; Thomas, Deb; Card, Joan; Russo, Rebecca; Jenkins, Laura Flynn; McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa; Faulk, Libby

Subject: mine blowout near silverton

Importance: High

FYI. Mark Salley, PIO at CDPHE just called about a significant mine blowout at the Gold

King mine near Silverton that has or is expected to send a large volume of water/heavy metals through Cement Creek and the Animas, affecting Silverton and downstream. I have no details beyond Mark's vm, but Mark seems to think this would be our lead in terms of a response and notifying downstream water users, intakes etc.

Rich

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